

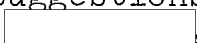
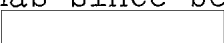
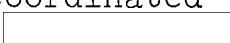
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant for Administration, NPIC

SUBJECT: NPIC Position Paper on Providing Field
Readout Photographic Interpretation
Teams



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1. Attached is a rough draft of the proposal for an NPIC position paper on NPIC providing field readout photographic interpretation teams. Originally based upon IAD and PAG suggestions it has since been twice coordinated with IAD , PAG , and OPS . Their final comments are as follows:

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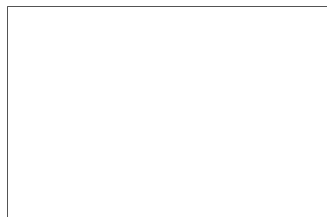
a. IAD - "Overall OK." With reference to paragraph 2 - "Do not agree this is necessary. Agreement in USIB by DIA and CIA would be just as effective. As long as NSCID #8 authorizes immediate reporting, why do we need to set out the overseas facet as something unique." This, of course, depends upon what is done to NSCID #8.

b. OPS - "Overall OK."

c. PAG - "Overall OK." With reference to paragraph 8, "recommend the budget increase figure include salaries, travel costs, cost of cable traffic, costs for PI equipment and collateral material, etc. Recommend the T/O increase be limited to fifteen additional positions, which will provide one team continuously on station." These comments depend on how you intend to play the budget and T/O game.

2. Recommend the position paper be re-phased as necessary by  to put it in the accepted "NPIC style."

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Comments of General Smith Concerning Field Readouts

In our discussion with General Smith at SAC last week he made, among others, the following points pertaining to field readout although not necessarily in the order presented:

1. When SAC flies a mission SAC is going to process it and read it out.

2. There must be immediate feed-back from the processor and PI to the operator and this can only be achieved by SAC reading out what it flies.

3. SAC has developed a multi-header printer which will soon give them the capability of reproducing in short order 5 to 10 prints from the negative. This will allow them to read out in the field and very quickly supply principal users with duplicates.

4. In response to my questions concerning OPICS and the current Committee meetings in Washington pertaining to field readout Smith allowed as how he really wasn't very interested in Washington meetings but that he fully intended to produce an IPIR irrespective of decisions taken here. When I pressed him again concerning the inclusion of COMOR targets in his IPIR and whether or not he intended to read out against all COMOR targets he waved the question off saying in effect that he would read out against the targets of interest to the local command and SAC.

5. He reiterated again and again that there was simply no discussion permissible concerning SAC's role of reading out SAC flown missions.